high-handedness of the Government officers, etc., were not only being exposed, but whenever there was an occasion to call for public opinion on any matter, the subjects were being discussed at length, thus assisting both the Government and the people. After the introduction of the Press Act most of the journals have ceased publication and a few, not very useful, are remaining. These are not beneficial to the people who have thus to seek outside papers for any useful news. The existence of properly conducted newspapers is a great necessity and the Press Act militates against it, and may, therefore, be repealed.

Reply of Government.—Recorded. *Vide* reply on previous occasions.

SUBJECT No. 5.

Introduction of the Weights and Measures Regulation.

Messrs. Alampalli Adinarayanaiya Chetty, Dodballapur Municipality; C. Naraharaiya, B. Channalingappa, Nelamangala taluk; M. Subbarayappa, Chikka Guruvareddi, Bangalore taluk; D. Srikanta Rao, Devanhalli taluk; B. K. Garudachar, Bangalore City Municipality; M Venkatakrishnaiya, M. C. Rangiengar, Tiruvenkataswami Mudaliar and Mahomed Jaffer, Mysore City Municipality; Devoji Rao, B. Achiah Chetty, Yedatore taluk; Siddegowda, Madappa, Mysore taluk; Suryanarayana Setty, Hassan District Board; C. Vasudeva Rao, Chikmagalur taluk; Pilkington, North Mysore Planters' Association; and B. Sitaramiah, Chikmagalur taluk; Thimmannaiya, Tiptur taluk; Venkataramanaiya, Sira taluk; Hutchviregowda, Gubbi taluk; Virasettappa, Tumkur District Board; Gundappa, Kunigal taluk; Abidalli Sab, Koratagere sub-taluk; Karibasaiya and Ramachandrappa Dube, Kumsi sub-taluk; C. Subba Rao and S. Sitaramaiya, Shimoga Municipality; K. Shamiengar, Channagiri taluk; Srinivasa Dikshit, Shikarpur taluk, and Bhavani Rao, Shikarpur Municipality.

Summary of discussion.—(*a*) The adoption of uniform weights and measures in the State is being repeatedly prayed for in this Assembly. Early orders may be passed in the matter as promised by Government.

(*b*) To enforce the use of a set of uniform weights and measures throughout the State, the following weights and measures are proposed—

For measures by weight:—

(i) One seer to be of Rs. 24 weight and

(ii) One maund to be of 48 seers weight.

For measures of capacity:—

(i) One seer to be of a measure which when filled with grain weighs Rs. 84.

(ii) One *kolaga* to measure grain of 20 seers,

(iii) One *kandi* to measure 20 *kolagas*.

(*c*) A Regulation for the enforcement of a uniform set of measures and weights which are impressed with Government seal may be introduced early.

Reply of Government.—Rules on the subject have been framed and published in the *Gazette*.

SUBJECT No. 6.

Introduction of the Village Panchayet.

Messrs. H. C. Subba Rao, Hunsur taluk; Madappa, Mysore taluk; M. G. Shamiengar, Y. S. V. Sabha.

Summary of discussion.—The Village Panchayet Bill which was being discussed in the Representative Assembly from a long time is now ascertained to be before the Legislative Council. It is prayed that the panchayet may be soon introduced and educated and disinterested men selected to form the panchayet.

Reply of Government.—Will be expedited.

SUBJECT No. 7.

The Probate and Administration Act.

Messrs. C. Subba Rao and S. Sitaramaiya, Shimoga Municipality.

Summary of discussion.—The Probate and Administration Act may be introduced into the State, as there is no law at present defining the duties and responsibilities of executors and administrators notwithstanding the increasing practice of making wills.

Reply of Government.—A Bill will soon be framed and placed before the Legislative Council.